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FROM ODC

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MILI, BE

SUBJECT: BELGIAN HAWK IMPROVEMENT

1. BELGIAN STAFF OFFICER HAS REPORTED THAT POLITICAL DE-  
CISSION HAS BEEN MADE FOR BELGIUM TO GO IMPROVED HAWK.  
BUDGETARY IMPACT IS CURRENTLY BEING WORKED OUT.

2. RAYTHEON'S PROPOSAL OF 110 MILLION DOLLARS FOR BELGIAN  
CONVERSION AT NORTHERN LINE OF HELIP IS BEING REVIEWED.  
PROGRAM IS FOR SIX BATTERIES PLUS TO BE CONVERTED DURING  
TIME FRAME MID 79 TO MID 80.

3. BELGIAN STAFF OFFICER HAS REQUESTED THE ASSISTANCE OF  
THIS OFFICE IN A PROPOSAL TO REDUCE BUDGETARY IMPACT.  
RAYTHEON'S PROPOSAL IS APPROX 10 MILLION DOLLARS HIGHER  
THAN NORMAL CONVERSION, AND IS ATTRIBUTABLE TO A SIX MONTH  
SHUT DOWN OF THE NORTHERN LINE CONVERSION DUE TO LEAD TIME  
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ON BELGIAN CONVERSION KITS.

4. GOB HAS LEARNED THAT US HAS A REQUIREMENT TO CONVERT  
FOUR BATTERIES FOR GOVERNMENT OF SPAIN ON AN EXCHANGE  
BASIS AND THEREFORE MUST UTILIZE FOUR US BATTERIES OF BAS-  
IC HAWK FOR THIS REQUIREMENT. IT IS FURTHER UNDERSTOOD  
THAT THE CONVERSION KITS ARE CURRENTLY AVAILABLE FOR THIS

REQUIREMENT.

5. GOB PROPOSAL IS TO LOAN THE US THREE OR FOUR OF ITS UNCOMMITTED BASIC HAWK BATTERIES FOR THIS REQUIREMENT IF THE CONVERSION COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED AT THE NORTHERN LINE OF HELIP THEREBY ELIMINATING THE SHUT-DOWN PERIOD AND REDUCING BELGIUM'S BUDGETARY IMPACT BY FOUR TO SIX MILLION DOLLARS.

6. REQUEST US ANALYSIS OF GOB PROPOSAL BE PROVIDED THIS OFFICE SOONEST. GDS 31 DEC 83. CHAMBERS

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